
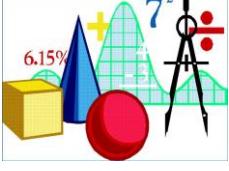






# Henry Chadwick Primary School

*Year 5/6 Newsletter – January 2024*

Welcome back to all of the children in Y5 & 6. We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas time. We are very much looking forward to the next few weeks ahead together and to begin some exciting new opportunities.

	<p><b>Literacy:</b></p> <p>We will now be focusing on a text called 'Harley James and the Mystery of the Mayan Kings', by Leah Cupps. It is a fantastic story, set within the culture of the Mayans, involving whodunnits, tense situations and lots of drama! We will be using inference skills to build our knowledge of the text and exploring different types of writing genres, including recounts, introducing effective dialogue and building atmospheric tension.</p>
<p><b>Numeracy:</b></p> <p>Our focus in Maths will be fractions, decimals and percentages. We will explore the relationship between them, look at real life contexts and embed new and old methods to solve problems. Children will aim to gather a deeper understanding of equivalence, value and conversions throughout.</p>	
	<p><b>Science:</b></p> <p>In Science, our topic will be about the properties of everyday materials. We will learn about how materials are used for certain purposes and have a focus on testing the usefulness of different materials for different situations. We will also learn about the evolution of different materials and how they have benefitted the world we live in.</p>
	<p><b>Topic:</b></p> <p>We will be continuing to learn about the ancient Mayans. In this section of the Topic, we will learn about their way of life, the importance of the Gods, ancient temples and try to create our own ancient Mayan masks.</p>
<p><b>R.E:</b></p> <p>In RE this term, our focus will be on local places of worship. We will learn about where people can go to worship, the roles members of the community have and also take a virtual tour of a Mosque.</p>	
	<p><b>P.E:</b></p> <p>We will be looking this term at Net and Wall games. We will look at the skills required to strike a ball across a net, use teamwork to perform rallies and look at strategies needed to score points as individuals and within a team.</p>
	<p><b>Other:</b></p> <p>Please be sure to let us know at the school gate, through the front office or via email/class dojo if there is anything that we can help you with. We are determined to provide the very best school experience for your child and if there is any support that you may require, please do not hesitate to contact us.</p> <p>A polite reminder that our PE days will be Monday and Friday, so the children will need their school PE kit. Also, Y5/6 will have their Forest School sessions on a Friday afternoon, so will need spare clothes for this activity also.</p> <p>Thank you!</p>

Thank you for your continued support,  
Paul O'Leary, Carolyn Crawley and Julieanne Smith.